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School Board Votes to Retain Eighth Grade Here Next Year

Financial Difficulties Make Return of Grade to Lower Merion Impracticable, Board Says; Salaries Cut 5%, Same Tax Rate Adopted

An Eighth Grade will be maintained at the Narberth School next year. This decision was made at the April meeting of the Borough School Board held on Monday night.

A tax rate of 20 mills and $2 per capita was also adopted, together with a budget of $109,802.44. The tax rate is the same as for this year.

In order to balance the budget a five per cent. cut in teachers' salaries was made. This included a cut in the principal's salary.

The retention of the eighth grade at the Narberth School was made despite a petition filed with the Board at its March meeting by a Citizens' Committee, recommending that "if humanly possible" the Eighth Grade be sent back to Lower Merion Junior High School.

The Board issued the following statement in explanation of its action: "The Board gave careful consideration to the possibility of returning the eighth grade to Lower Merion and found it entirely impracticable at this time, in view of the financial difficulties involved. By the most careful calculation, such a change would involve additional expenditures of at least $7500, which would require a corresponding increase in the tax rate, amounting to at least two mills in the property tax rate, or at least $2.50 in the per capita tax. It was felt to be unfair and unwise to impose this additional burden upon the taxpayers at this time. Whatever the possible advantages to those children directly affected, the change is not worth the additional cost at this moment. The Narberth School program will include every essential element in the Lower Merion program for this grade and will be strengthen at certain points to bring it even above its present satisfactory level."

This statement bore the signature of every member of the Board.

The budget for 1932-33 calls for a total expenditure of $109,802.44, which is a reduction of nearly $2500 from the expenditures of the current year.

In the vote on the motion to cut teachers' salaries five per cent. for one year in order to balance the budget, Kenneth L. M. Pray, president of the Board, cast the only dissenting vote, remarking at the time, "I would prefer to have the taxpayers pay the bill instead of the teachers."

In regard to this move the statement by the Board said, "With deep regret, and only after every other possibility of saving had been exhausted, the Board found it necessary to reduce salaries of all employees and officers. The reduction of teachers' salaries will amount to five per cent., except that the maximum reduction in any case shall not exceed $100. This permits a saving of nearly $2000 in this item alone."

In commenting on the cut, Mr. Pray stated that when it was found

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Borough Fights Handbills

That the Borough of Narberth intends to protect itself from the growing deluge of handbills was shown this week in a letter sent by George B. Suplee, Superintendent of Public Works.

An out-of-town company, whose circulars have long blown about Narberth lawns and porches, received the following:

"I wish to call your attention to the manner in which your men or boys are distributing your advertising matter.

"This morning we cleaned out the sewer inlet at the corner of Price and Essex avenues, Narberth, Pennsylvania, and found three (3) bundles of your circulars in the inlet.

"This is not only a loss to you, but is also a means of clogging up our inlets.

This seems to be a quick way for your carriers to dispose of them. If it occurs again, we will be compelled to charge you for the time cleaning the inlets."

Real Estate Signs Condemned in Merion

Civic Association Committee Finds Them a Double Detriment

BROKERS TO CO-OPERATE

Inartistic "For Sale" and "For Rent" signs are doomed by the recommendations of a committee on real estate signs of The Merion Civic Association.

The committee recently reported that there were approximately 143 of these signs in the district, advertising 81 properties for sale. According to the committee the signs were tacked up by five owners, four trust companies and 21 brokers.

After consulting with authorities on the subject of signs the committee also reports that, "nearly all authorities on this subject agree that the use of real estate signs are a detriment, not only to the property which they specifically advertise, but to the community surrounding such property."

Members of the committee have also discussed the sign proposition with brokers operating in Merion. The brokers voluntarily agreed to remove the signs providing the property owners and other brokers would concur.

Following the signs report directors of the association passed the following resolution:

"Whereas, the extensive use of real estate "For Sale" and "For Rent" signs on properties in Merion, has been called to the attention of this Board; and

"Whereas, a Committee of this Board has been appointed to investigate the situation, and to report thereon to this Board; and

"Whereas, the said Committe has filed its report, which has been received by this Board, wherein the said Committee, after consultation and with the co-operation of the leading real estate brokers in the community, recommend that the use of 'For Sale' and 'For Rent' signs on properties in Merion, are detrimental to the properties on which they are used, and adversely affect the values of all properties in Merion;

"Be It Resolved, That this Board record its acceptance and adoption of the conclusions of the said Committee, as hereinabove referred to;

"Further Resolved, That the Secretary of this Association be, and she is hereby authorized to advise members of the Association as to the report of the said Committee and the action of this Board upon the subject;

"Further Resolved, That the voluntary action and co-operation on the part of the real estate brokers handling Merion real estate, be acknowledged by the Secretary of this Association, with thanks."

Percy Crawford to Speak at Presbyterian Church

The Young People's Class of the Narberth Presbyterian Church are taking charge of the regular church service this Sunday evening at 7.45 with Percy Crawford, of the "Young People's Church of the Air," as guest speaker. Christian Endeavor Societies along the Main Line and in Hilltop Branches are sending visiting delegations and a large attendance is expected.

Mr. Crawford is still a very young man—a senior at Westminster Seminary and taking post-graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania—but his influence and ministry among young people has been unique and far-reaching.

Missionary Society to Hear Mrs. Frank Dippel Thursday

The monthly meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Narberth Presbyterian Church will be held at 2.30 in the church parlor on Thursday afternoon.

The speaker will be Mrs. Frank Dippel, wife of the superintendent of the Brotherhood Mission, at 4th and Girard avenue, Philadelphia. Mrs. Dippel is also the missionary for the Mission and will bring an interesting account of her work.

Miss Betty Robb will be the soloist and Mrs. H. C. Hebsacher will have charge of the devotions.

Engaged

MISS AMY F. WEAVER,

daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Weaver, of West Collingswood, N. J., whose engagement to Mr. Richard M. Gillis, son of Mrs. Edward Gillis, of Dudley avenue, Narberth, has been announced.

Firemen's Supper to be Given Thursday

Mulieres Sponsor Annual Event for Active and Retired Members

DR. BARNES TO BE GUEST

The Mulieres of the Narberth Fire Company are giving their annual Firemen's Supper in Elm Hall on Thursday evening, April 21, at 6.30 P. M., for the active and retired members of the Company and the members and guests of the Mulieres.

Among the guests will be Dr. Albert Barnes, honorary vice-president of the Narberth Fire Company; the president and chief of each of the following Companies: Merion Fire Company, of Ardmore; Bryn Mawr; Union Fire Association of Bala-Cynwyd; Penn Wynne-Overbrook Hills Fire Company, and West Manayunk.

The supper is complimentary and will be cooked and served by the members of the Board of the Mulieres and some members of the club.

Mrs. Henry Kast and Mrs. Mabel G. Johnston are the chairmen of the supper committee; Mrs. George Gilpin, Jr., and Mrs. Charles Haist, chairmen of the decorating committee; Mrs. John Burrell and Mrs. Isaac McHose, chairmen of the waitresses; Mrs. Edward Haws and Mrs. C. C. Tyson, chairmen of the dishes. Other members of the organization who are assisting with the supper are Mrs. L. B. Edgerton, Mrs. Howard Haws, Mrs. Lindley Trotter, Mrs. Edward Conner, Mrs. Frank Purcell, Mrs. Charles E. Harnden, Mrs. Frank Stiefel, Mrs. Albert Nulty, Miss Anna Foley, Mrs. William Rodgers, Mrs. Frederic A. Egmore, Mrs. William M. Sibley, Mrs. Clifford Bates, Miss Mary Zentmeyer, and Miss Flora Kurzenknabe.

Following the supper there will be a program of music, with Mrs. Charles Viguers, Jr., pianist, and John Dorenza, who will play several selections on the piano. Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith will lead the singing.

The Mulieres held a very successful party in Elm Hall last Wednesday afternoon. About 150 attended and $90 was cleared.

To Speak in Boro

PERCY CRAWFORD,

of the "Young People's Church of the Air," who will be the speaker at the Narberth Presbyterian Church this Sunday evening.

Boro Expenditures Are Under Last Year

Cost of Operation $7000 Less Than Last Year for First Three Months

RETIRING SEWER BONDS

That the Borough of Narberth has operated on $7000 less for the first three months of 1932 than for the similar period last year, was pointed out in the report of the Finance Committee at the April meeting of Council on Monday night.

A note of $10,000, which was held by the Merion Title and Trust Company, and rediscounted by this bank before its closing with the Philadelphia National Bank, has been paid off, the report showed. This was accomplished by virtue of a loan of $20,000 from the Philadelphia National Bank, $10,000 of which was used to pay off the old note, and the other $10,000 for current expenses. The loan is in anticipation of 1932 taxes, bills for which do not go out until summer, necessitating borrowing by the Borough in the meantime.

The retirement of $8000 in sewer bonds was provided for on May 1, by the payment of $700 in Sinking Fund No. 4 of Sewer Bonds held by the West End Trust Company. This will leave but $9000 in Sewer Bonds outstanding after May 1.

These sewer bonds, which were issued in May, 1907, in the amount of

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Parent Teachers to Hear of Vocational Effectiveness

Mrs. Edith Davison, of the Home Economic Staff of the State Department of Public Instruction, will speak on "Vocational and Economic Effectiveness" at the Narberth Parent-Teachers' Association meeting on Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Other features of this program will be several piano solos by Miss Margaret Squier. The school orchestra, under the direction of Miss Frances Fricke, music supervisor of the school, will also play several selections.

All parents in Narberth, whether members of the association or not, are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Swarthmore Players' Clubhouse is Fine Example of Completely Equipped Theatre

BY "OUT FRONT"

The Players' Club of Swarthmore produced five nights last week in their new club-house, "Gone Hollywood," a comedy in three acts by John C. Brownell, and that event is of interest locally because of the fact that this community now possesses a Players' club of its own. It is to be regretted that all of the active members of the Narberth Players could not have attended "Gone Hollywood," so as to have been able to observe not only the acting of a similar amateur group, but especially to have seen the remarkable fine new clubhouse which the Swarthmore Players have recently erected for their own exclusive use.

The Swarthmore club-house is a complete little theatre, seating about 350 people on a conveniently sloped floor. The stage is of ample dimensions and is completely equipped with all modern mechanical and electrical devices for facilitating the presentation of plays. The architectural design, both exterior and interior, is severely simple, but also exceedingly attractive. The acoustics are excellent. It is said that the Swarthmore group, in apportioning the funds available for their new building, decided to spare no expense on the proper equipment of the stage and its accessories, and in that decision they undoubtedly were wise. There is nothing to indicate, however, that the funds were not adequate to provide a comfortable and thoroughly attractive playhouse of which any community could be proud.

The Swarthmore Players' club has been in existence for 27 years. It has always been conducted exclusively for the members and their guests. Tickets to their plays are never offered for sale to the general public. The club is supported by the dues which its

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Merger Would Save Taxpayers of Borough $15,000, Report Shows

Citizens' Committee Submits Figures on Township and Borough Functions to Lower Merion Board of Commissioners Wednesday Night

The merger of the Borough of Narberth with Lower Merion Township would mean an approximate saving of $15,000 per year to taxpayers of the Borough, according to a report submitted by the Narberth Citizens' Committee to the Lower Merion Township Commissioners on Wednesday night.

The figures submitted deal only with the Borough and Township functions, comparative studies of the two school districts not being completed.

Elimination of duplicate functions are sufficient, the report stated, to afford Borough taxpayers some saving in the total tax rate and provide the Township with adequate revenue for all operating expenses with probability of some surplus.

According to the committee's calculations, the present Township tax rate of 9 mills, plus an additional mileage of 2.8 to provide a sinking fund for the Borough's bonded indebtedness, plus the sewer tax, which is estimated at an average of $9 per connection, would provide a gross revenue of $71,639.30. Allowing for discounts and tax exonerations, a net revenue of $70,000 would remain.

Estimated additions to the Township's appropriations to provide for the administration of Narberth total $66,681.50, leaving a surplus for contingencies of $3,318.50.

The Township Commissioners, it was reported, will check the figures submitted by the Narberth Citizens' Committee and, finding them as set forth, will notify the group that the Board has no objections to the proposed merger.

The Committee, meanwhile, will assemble similar comparative figures on the effect of the merger on the school districts.

It is understood that preparation of petitions for presentation to the Montgomery County Court will be gone ahead with and signers secured. Under the State Law it is necessary to have the petition signed by two-thirds of the resident taxpayers of the Borough before it will be recognized by the Court.

Members of the Committee who appeared before the Township Board of Commissioners were: A. W. Burns, H. L. Woehling, R. L. Rankin, Archie G. Sparks, Louis A. Young and D. Warren Wright.

The Committee's report, in part, follows:

"At an informal meeting of about 150 citizens of Narberth, held on February 25, 1932, for the purpose of discussing educational matters, quite a bit of sentiment was evidenced to the effect that the interests of the community at large in educational and civic matters might best be served by the dissolution of the Borough of Narberth, thus automatically reverting the corporate area back to Lower Merion Township from which it was originally derived.

"At a subsequent meeting held on March 17, the same sentiment was further evidenced to such extent that a committee was instituted for the purpose of preparing and submitting to the resident taxpayers of the Borough a petition addressed to the Court of Quarter Sessions of Montgomery County, praying that the Charter of the Borough of Narberth be nullified, and that the Borough thereby revert back into Lower Merion Township, from which it was derived.

"The chief factors contributing the above sentiment are:

"(1) The prospects of savings and economies in administration and operating expenses for both school and civic bodies by the elimination of the two over-lapping administrations (Borough and Township);

"(2) The problems confronting the Narberth School District in providing present-day school facilities from the revenue available upon the assessed valuations within our corporate limits;

"(3) The possibilities of providing a remedy for the above conditions by a consolidation of the Lower Merion and Narberth School Districts without actually dissolving the Borough as a corporate unit;

"(4) The practically insurmountable difficulty of effecting such a school merger under existing laws, due to the disparity in size and extent of the respective Lower Merion and Narberth School Districts,—the legislation providing for such consolidation being predicated upon the assumption that the merging Districts will be of approximately the same size, and providing for equal representation upon the joint School Board.

"The State law providing for dissolution of boroughs places the burden of all positive action upon the residents of the Borough, by requiring that any petition for dissolution shall be signed by two-thirds of the resident taxpayers before it will be recognized by the Court of Quarter Sessions. The members of the Committee referred to above have attempted to sound out public sentiment in a casual way, and feel that the prospects of such majority sentiment may be expected with a fair degree of certainty.

"In asking the Township to refrain from protesting dissolution of the Borough we cannot reasonably expect to accomplish our purpose by a mere shifting of any excess tax load onto the shoulders of their taxpayers. We must, within reasonable limits, justify the Township Commissioners and School Board in assuming the expense of administering and operating our area as contrasted against the revenues available from our properties at Township tax rates.

"Schedule 'G' (printed below) has been prepared to include what we believe would be a fair and conservative estimate of revenues which would be available to the Township at 1932 tax rates upon the valuations within the Narberth area. In estimating the prospective revenues from

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Nutrition Facts Are Given at Club Meeting

Mrs. Anne De Planter Bowes is Speaker at Narberth Club Tuesday

ELECTION ON APRIL 26TH

"New Facts on Food Nutrition" was the topic of the lecture given by Mrs. Anne DePlanter Bowes, nutrition expert of the Philadelphia Child Health Center, at the meeting of the Women's Community Club of Narberth on Tuesday afternoon.

"It is never wise," said Mrs. Bowes, "to make a radical change in one's diet without the advice of a reputable physician. If during this period of lowered wages we must cut down on the money used for food we should be extremely careful to get the necessary food values. Milk under no circumstances should be omitted from the diet, especially if there are children in the family, as milk supplies the largest proportion of all the daily food requirements in the least expensive form."

For cheap body fuel, the various cereals were recommended. There should be one fresh vegetable in the daily diet such as the root vegetables, carrots, beets, turnips, etc., which cost less than some of the other varieties, she said. Cabbage, spinach and the other leafy vegetables should be used twice or three times a week.

Stewed and fresh fruits are always a necessary part of the diet, according to Mrs. Bowes, especially orange juice, which may be taken by the very young as well as those of advanced age.

Mrs. Bowes showed many interesting pamphlets on diets for children, expectant mothers and for other uses.

She also stressed the "Better Homes Week" which the Philadelphia committee is holding from April 24 to May 1. She advocated the use of energy-saving devices in the home, less noise in the home and the making of gardens.

Mrs. C. Arley Farmer, chairman of the civic committee, and Mrs. Joseph R. Aiken, chairman of the welfare committee, were in charge of the program. Tea was served, with Mrs. Burns Best as the hostess.

Mrs. Joseph H. Hongler, president of the club, urged the members to turn out and vote at the coming election on April 26.

The board of directors of the club held a meeting previous to the program.

The next regular meeting of the club will be held on April 26, at 2.30 P. M., in the Community Building, when the following officers will be elected: Second vice-president, recording secretary and treasurer and three directors.

Mrs. Hope Le Barr Roberts will be the speaker and will talk on Current Events. The soloist will be Mrs. C. S. Wilmot and the pianist will be Mrs. J. R. McLaughlin. Mrs. E. S. Deubler will be the hostess.

In the Mailbag

Unity the Objective

To the Editor of "Our Town:"

Republican unity is almost an accomplished fact here in Narberth right now. It has been further advanced during the present primary campaign of the past few weeks than in any previous year that the writer can recall. Unity is the objective of us who are enrolled under the banner of the Organization and of Regularity. We hold no personal nor political animosities toward Messrs. Cabrey and Walzer, nor any of their adherents and followers in the present agitation for the committee places. We are confident that a majority of the Republicans in the Borough are loyal to the party and to its organized branches. We have raised the banner of regularity here in order that those voters may rally to it finally and demonstrate, once and for all, that when both sides of the issue are clearly presented, Narberth Republicans will register themselves by their ballots in support of regularity.

That is the issue of the campaign which is now being conducted for the committee places. We have no quarrel with our fellow-Republicans who have voted repeatedly for fellow-townsmen when they were candidates for prominent offices on an anti-Johnson ticket. That was quite a natural thing for them to do. Fred Walzer, for example, has many friends here who are always glad to register their support whenever he asks for their votes, but we maintain that those Republicans have been voting for him because he was Fred Walzer, of Narberth, and not because he was a candidate on an independent ticket. The same is true of Mr. Young and Mr. Stites, and would be true of Mr. Cabrey if he should be a candidate for any office commensurate with his large abilities.

The Organization is supporting Mr. Charles V. Noel, Mrs. Louise V. Cockrill and Mrs. H. G. Reevs, the present incumbents of the committee places, against whom candidates have been brought forward by the Cabrey Crowd because an attempt is being made to punish them for being loyal to the Organization in the past. There is not one of them who would not have been willing to step aside and abandon the office of committeeman in the interest of harmony. The offer which we made to Mr. Cabrey implied that. We asked him to support three candidates selected by us in return for our support of three selected by himself. If there had been any willingness to discuss our proposition, it would have been found that the three present committeemen, Mr. Noel, Mrs. Cockrill and Mrs. Reevs, would each have been willing to step aside in favor of candidates in the selection of whom we had had an equal voice.

But no. The purpose is to drive them out of office and to punish them publicly because they were loyal to the Organization. That is the issue involved in the local campaign for the committee places. It is not a question of the personal merits of the candidates. It is being said that the wet and dry issue is involved here and that our group are dry and the Cabrey Crowd are wet, a conception which has probably been erroneously inferred from Mr. Cabrey's well-known predelictions on that subject. It is ridiculous to assume that the grave issue Prohibition in national politics can in any way be influenced or involved in this small and strictly local contest for three inconspicuous committee places.

A vote in this contest for committee places is a vote in favor of organized regularity and of loyalty to the County organization, and through that to the party organization in the state and the nation, if it is cast for Mr. Noel, Mrs. Cockrill and Mrs. Reevs. That is all there is to it, and it will be interesting to observe whether in this presidential year the Republicans of Narberth wish to record themselves otherwise.

There is just one other point which I should take this opportunity to explain, and that is concerned with the reference which Mr. Wood made in his published letter last week to the call which I made on Mr. Cabrey in this interest of harmony and compromise. For reasons best known to himself Mr. Wood did not mention that he accompanied me on that mission and that I advanced his own name as one on which both groups might agree to be a Republican leader for this campaign and until unity had been accomplished. Mr. Wood had not been actively identified with either group in the campaign last fall and I sincerely felt that he might be acceptable to both, temporarily, at least. I was not positive that he would accept such a post, but I knew that it was his desire for harmony that had brought him into the campaign in the first place and I thought that he would serve as leader if it was clearly shown to him that by so doing he could unite the Narberth Republicans.

There was no thought in my mind that by means of Mr. Wood we could create a political boss for this free-minded community, and certainly I did not assume that anyone would regard him as one who would be likely to hand us over, bag and baggage, to the County Organization in any way that would be contrary to our interests. Anyway, that suggestion which I made to Mr. Cabrey was received without comment and conversationally ignored. I still believe that it was a proposal of merit and that if it had been accepted, it would have avoided the situation in which the Narberth Republicans are now placed.

Nor am I unaware of the fact that there are some who have said that as they see fit to express it, I represent an attempt on the part of the County Organization to impose their political authority on Narberth. Nothing could be further from the facts. I am and always have been an Organization man. I worked for the Organization here last fall when workers were few and the cause apparently was not a popular one. I speak of my personal situation now merely to point out that in advancing the name of Mr. Wood for leader I was signifying my own willingness to divest myself of any authority or influence which might have derived from my election last fall to be president of the Johnson Republican Club of Narberth.

HENRY A. SMITH.

Explains His Stand

To the Editor of "Our Town:"

Certainly every one in Narberth reads your paper and is interested in local political affairs, judging by the telephone calls and other personal comment which flowed in on me last week after you printed my too-long letter on the present contest for committeemen. Some old friends assumed that I had most unaccountably turned against them. Other friends, knowing better my naturally sedantary and easy-going habits of life, expressed surprise that I should so suddenly emerge in the midst of what seemed to them to be a contest of no large significance.

May I intrude more briefly on your space to explain that I have no feelings of personal animosity in this matter? I have been increasingly impressed through years of observation of local affairs with the futility of the manner in which Narberth Republican votes have been registered against the Organization when I knew that those same votes would have gone just as readily to the same candidates on the Organization ticket.

It seemed to me therefore that that condition would continue to exist until more Narberth citizens vigorously espoused the Organization side. Since I was convinced that thereby some very real and tangible interests of the entire community could be advanced I considered it to be my duty to do what I thought "somebody ought to do." Personally, I have never met nor held any conversation with Mr. Johnson nor any of the other Organization leaders at Norristown, and I am not interested in how they apportion the spoils outside of Narberth, but I do want to get Narberth into a position where it will be no longer an orphan child so far its rightful share of County perquisites is concerned.

ROBERT F. WOOD.

Defends Fred Walzer

To the Editor of "Our Town:"

Mr. Wood's letter last week puts him out of character altogether and he ought to be sorry for it. Nevertheless, it does afford a public opportunity to meet up with a choice bit of the village gossip of which, obviously, Wood has been a victim, and the folks might welcome some of the facts of the case as it actually is.

The statements made regarding Fred Walzer's "abject" plea for a job are viciously under the belt. I ought to know, because I was in the picture from the start to finish. This is how it all occurred:

I had to go to Harrisburg to see the Securities Commission. Alone enough, I sought a companion for the trip. Fred was available and he came along. Our business done, we started to look in on some of the celebrities. Pinchot was engaged and so he missed his golden opportunity. We phoned Mr. Johnson and he said he could give us five minutes. The Organization candidate for Congress had not been announced. It looked as if it might be Edmonds. He was dry and a fierce fight would no doubt result, with the Governor's arid man slipping in. It was my first meeting with Mr. Johnson. I told him what I thought of the Organization's constant straddle on the liquor question. It was a good session. He encouraged conversation. The five minutes turned out to be nearly two hours. He told us something which won't be revealed. It sealed the fact the interview was pleasing to him. A wet man was named four days later. If we did nothing else, we supplemented the endeavors of others driving in the same direction. We found the boss highly agreeable company.

Naturally, the conversation drifted to Narberth. I said I was only concerned in politics to the extent of prohibiton reform and that Walzer was the practical man for other occasions. I said also that Fred was unbridled as to his future course. Then out of a clear sky came the suggestion, from Mr. Johnson, that our judge would make a good county detective. I agreed that he would and Mr. Johnson seemed to get a great deal of satisfaction out of his own thought. Register, please, that the entire idea came from the throne itself and not from any "abject" supplicant.

Later on, Mr. Johnson cogitated on what used to be in Narberth. He recalled John Caldwell very fondly, but apparently could not remember a single one of his present henchmen. We went on our way and subsequently I wrote the letter he asked me to write regarding the Congressional candidacy and the Walzer part of the interview.

Passed about ten days, and whilst in Norristown on a court case, Maxwell Strawbridge, the legal light of the Johnson galaxy, beckoned me to his table at the Valley Forge Hotel and, without preliminary prompting, said that the Walzer matter had been finally agreed upon. I was glad to hear that and thanked him for it. A few days afterward, however, I was told personally by the chief himself that nothing could be done about it and that was the end of the matter, except to say that I dug into the old gentleman's ribs pretty well for lifting us up and down on something which had been started by him and not by anybody else.

At this point let us say that we do not review this rather intimate happening with Mr. Johnson to find fault with him, and if he sees this in print he will discern that we have tried to observe the amenities and to acclaim the many courtesies he extended to us. Nevertheless, the facts ought to be told, so that Fred Walzer will not be left in the mean position where last weeks' letter landed him and, once again, we say that it is grossly unfair to describe him as "abject" and to say that he is fighting Johnson because he was turned down on a job.

As a matter of honest fact, he is not opposed to Johnson at all, and you can take it from me that there is not a solitary doubt on that score.

Why, then, are Walzer and his friends opposing some of the old committee members? First of all, that procedure corresponds with a real community demand. At the polls last Fall (I recommend such a day for those who love their fellow-men) not less than a hundred voters protested the continuance of the man and woman who represented the party in No. 1 District. On the surface they were neither fish nor fowl but we are here to prove they thwarted the cause of their town and their neighbors as best they could, even if that best did not amount to very much.

In the second place, the effort to provide a more virile and more intellectually robust Republican Committee for Narberth is in direct accord with the earnest recommendation of those high in the Councils of the County organization. I am almost impelled to tell their names, as it would end the argument if I did, but that might not be fair, and I also prefer the case shall be won on its own merits, which brings us to the third point of the issue.

If Narberth is going to set its political house in order and get off to a clean start, how in the name of common sense can that be done with a leadership which has arrayed itself against its own community, and which has suffered, despite its strenuous struggle to have it otherwise, a thorough-going rebuke, only collecting the tail-end of an 8 to 1 vote? Persisting in the same disregard of local conditions, they did not lift a finger to observe the will of the town in the retention as Assessor of Mr. Griswold, elected by our people with a heavy vote, and a man who applied himself to his difficult task in a manner that far exceeded the slight compensation he got from it. In that respect, however, Mr. White told me the committee members had nothing whatever to do with his appointment, as the support for it came from a member of the Legislature (I think he said), who was totally unacquainted with the Narberth situation. What a fine display of party influence this is and what a resounding slap in the face for Narberth Republicans, and all because our committee members had neither the tongue nor the talent for making themselves of at least some little degree of significance in political maneuvers involving their own home town!

There is no more politically conscious community than Narberth in Montgomery County. The ratio of votes to enrollments is greater here than any place of which I know the country-wide. Our people take an extraordinary interest in civic affairs. This may be one of the attributes of a long period of what is called "independent" voting, and if that is the case then praise be to it, if "political freedom" is anything more than a meaningless term. The man who scorns the virtue and value of individual procedure has very patiently skipped many of the early American lessons. To ask what citizens get out of it all, and then to expect the answer in terms of "favors," seems to put a price-tag on something which ought not to be for sale. There's utterly no depth to that part of Mr. Wood's defense, in my opinion, and maybe I'm not so dead-set against the "gang" as I might sometimes appear to be.

Let us put a new crew on the ship, aggressive and informed men and women who shall not seek in their own behalf, but who shall start with a wholesome background and a refreshing viewpoint, equipped with the mental energy to do properly what ought to be done. They won't listen to us, cry the incumbents, because we bear no gifts. No, they can't listen to mutes, gifts or no gifts, and even the new idea which now pervades the town won't help to make them articulate. They have had their day, and that day is done, and they should step down in favor of those who have accepted an obligation to serve the borough at the county table in a manner which its merits richly deserve. It's not at all a question of Johnson or anti-Johnson—it is a question of Narberth or anti-Narberth, and that's the point which Mr. Wood should turn around and see.

J. J. CABREY.

Shreds and Patches

Treed

A bull of most unreasonable determination once interrupted and deflected The Vagrant's attempt to save distance by cross-cutting a pasture. Reaching the wall which enclosed the bull's domain, it was found that on the other side there was an equally unfriendly farm dog. Whereupon The Vagrant mounted into the comfortable branches of a sugar maple, which almost shouldered the wall out of position at that point. The bull would not depart, nor would the dog. Each seemed to be filled with confidence that The Vagrant ultimately would be compelled to descend on one side or the other and that that event was well worth waiting for. The bull was fretfully impatient, pacing about, pawing the earth and bellowing frequently. The dog calmly lay down and seemed to sleep, but there was no relaxation in his frame and expectant eyes and nose were directd toward the tree. As has been said, the tree was not uncomfortable. Wherefore, The Vagrant, whose wanderings are really nothing but the effort necessary to proceed from one comfortable sitting place to another, enjoyed the view of cloud-shadows sliding over the fields and woods across the valley and awaited whatever might ensue. He knew that so far as aimless time was concerned, he could outstay the dog and the bull, and he conjectured that he might be able longer to control any stomachic suggestions that food not there available should be sought somewhere else.

Rescued

Nearly two hours had passed without altering the situation when The Vagrant from his elevated position discerned a man slowly ascending the path which paralleled the dog's side of the wall. He was elderly and of gentle appearance. He carried a home-made cane, such as any of the abundant hickory saplings could provide, but it was not stout enough to afford any defense against the dog. So The Vagrant hailed him with, "Look out for that dog, my friend; he and that bull yonder have me treed!" But the gentleman proved to be the owner of both animals, a point which the dog would have immediately made apparent if The Vagrant had awaited the outcome in silence. In

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Local Movies

Narberth Movie Notes

Based on David Belasco's play is "Tonight Or Never," in which Gloria Swanson appears at the Narberth Theatre this Friday and Saturday nights. At Saturday's matinee George O'Brien will star in Zane Grey's "Riders of the Purple Sage."

Ann Harding fans will like her in "Prestige," at the borough playhouse next Monday and Tuesday. Coming Wednesday and Thursday is "Lovers Courageous," with Robert Montgomery and Madge Evans.

Emma, Will Rogers, Taxi, Arrowsmith at Egyptian

Marie Dressler, aided by Richard Cromwell, Jean Hersholt and Myrna Loy, gives another superb characterization in "Emma," at the Egyptian this week-end.

"Business and Pleasure," Will Rogers' latest, is typically humorous and interesting. It is coming to Cynwyd next Monday and Tuesday. "Taxi," the feature Wednesday and Thursday, "is an exciting and well-told tale featuring James Cagney and Loretta Young.

Not to be missed by lovers of good literature and superb acting is "Arrowsmith," much-praised cinema adaptation of Sinclair Lewis' novel. Ronald Colman, Helen Hayes and Richard Bennett give outstanding performances in this picture, one of the year's unquestioned "bests," coming to the Egyptian next week-end.

Narberth Girl Scout Notes

There was a tea for the mothers given last Saturday by the Girl Scout Troop, No. 8, which was well attended. There was a program given as follows:

Formal opening, by girls of troop; a poem, by Betty McConnell; a song, by Pauline Sabrovich; a one-act play, by part of the scouts; a poem, by Ingebord Thaysen, and a talk by Mrs. Henry D. Booth, Jr., chairman of the Main Line committee, followed by refreshments. There was a mothers' committee formed and Mrs. C. A. Thaysen was elected chairman.

We also have a lieutenant, Miss Mary Dunlap, of Dudley avenue, Narberth. Miss Dunlap will act as lieutenant from now on and we are very glad to have her and appreciate her efforts.

JANE CHILLAS,
Scribe.

Special Musical Service at Narberth Church Sunday

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Narberth, is planning an exceptional musical service for Sunday evening. The choir will sing "Inflammatus," from Rossini's "Stabat Mater," and "Sweet the Moments, Rich the Blessing," Dressler's religious setting of the Sextette from "Lucia di Lammermoor." They will be assisted by Miss Margaret Ann Eicherly, guest soprano soloist.

Miss Eicherly is a graduate of West Chester State Normal School and is music instructor of the Bala-Cynwyd Schools. She is also soprano soloist of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, where her superior musician ship and splendid vocal attainments have been highly commended.

Miss Margaret Squier, organist-director, has chosen "Ouverture de Phedre," by Massenet, for the first number of the organ recital preceding the musical service, to be followed by that charming bit from Tschaikowsky's Nutcracker Suite. "Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy." Bach's stately "Air for G String" will complete the organ program.

Lower Merion Students Invited to "Engineers' Day" at Penn

Students from the Lower Merion High School, together with those from a number of other selected secondary schools, have been invited to attend the annual "Engineers' Day" at the University of Pennsylvania on Saturday, April 23, as guests of the faculty and students of the University's engineering schools.

"Engineers' Day" is designed to encourage prospective university students to give some thought to their future educational careers and to acquaint them with the opportunities which lie before them and the requirements which they must meet if they contemplate university training in civil, chemical, electrical or mechanical engineering, or in chemistry.

Plan Luncheon Thursday

The Ladies of the Home Missionary Society of the Narberth M. E. Church will give a luncheon in Parish Hall on Thursday, April 21, at 1 P. M.

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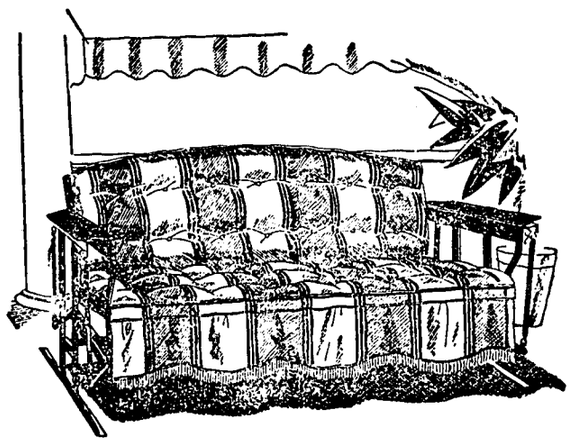

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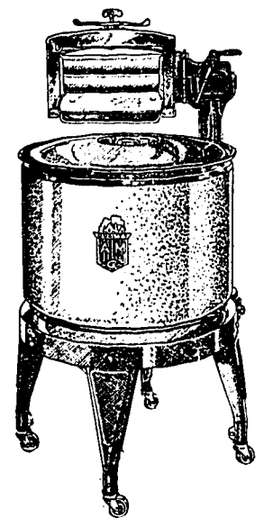

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Plenty of Jobs

That there is no sign of unemployment among those who serve the political bureaus in Washington is seen in the mounting expenditures by the major Federal departments. Main Line stockholders in the E. I. duPont de Nemours Company received this week a brief and illuminating picture of the burden thus placed on the taxpayers.

The duPont letter has come to the attention of hundrds of local residents. It is certainly informative—whether or not it will be valuable will depend on the action of those who received the letter and of others who might become interested in Federal taxes.

The basis for the rising costs is a comparison between 1927 and 1932. The former year was one of peak industrial activity and high prices. Five years later, during a period of universal distress, our legislators in Washington are saddling an additional expense of $1,231,100 upon us for major departments, commissions, etc., an increase of 63 per cent.

That terrific increase may be doing some good here and there. One thing is certain—it is making a lot more good political jobs; it is increasing the vote-catching power of the professional politicians at your expense and mine; it is forcing us to support a staggering number of people chosen, not for their ability, but for their allegiances to those who control the appropriations.

That increase alone is more than half the deficit, and the deficit is being made up out of the pockets of all of us. Every time we put an extra cent on a letter we will be reminded of the billion and a quarter increase in soft jobs. When we pay a greatly increased income tax (if we have any incomes) we will know that a large percentage of the payment is to keep up an inflated political establishment.

These rising contributions to Washington are going to delay business recovery by taking away money that should go into the channels of trade. The cure is in the hands of the taxpayer, for, after all, the elected representatives are servants, not masters.

A concerted national demand should be made for a reduction in Federal expenses. A letter sent today to your Representative in Congress and Senators would be a most desirable move. Demand immediate reduction of Government spending, immediate balancing of the Federal budget and the abolition of sectionalism in their deliberations.

Make them understand that you hold them accountable, and if they persist in spending your money to make jobs for their political workers, you will not return them to office. This thing is in your hands. Political monkey-business depends upon your lack of interest for its very existence, and politicians know it.

Plan Garden Party

A garden party and fashion show will be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Bailey, of "Highpoint," Old Lancaster road, Merion, on Friday, June 10, for the benefit of the Children's Charity Circle, from 2 until 8 P. M. In case of rain, the garden party will be held on the following day. Nan Duskin, of 18th and Sansom streets, Philadelphia, will stage the fashion show. There will be cake and candy booths, a parcel booth and a fortune-telling booth. Mrs. Thomas R. Patton, of Overbrook, is president of the Children's Charity Circle.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New Name Proposed

To the Editor of "Our Town:"

You probably know that the name Merion Station was taken from the Merion Meeting Station, on the Philadelphia and Columbia Railroad, when the present Main Line went into operation about 1851.

The name Merion Station should really have been applied to Elm or Narberth, for the reason that the Narberth station is closer to Merion Meeting than the present Merion Station.

Whether Narberth Borough is abandoned or not, I would like to suggest that Narberth Stations' name be changed to MERION CENTER, which, I think, would be agreeable to all our residents living west of Bowman avenue, at present outside the Borough limits, and who really live in a "No Man's Land."

We think all property owners would be benefited by this change in name, and doubtless all our assessments could be raised on the strength of it. While a lot of our older people would object to the change in the name of Narberth, we yet feel that no real community harm would be done, for you, of course, know what the poet said about the rose.

What do you think of the idea?

OLD FOGEY.

Noel's Service Stated

To the Editor of "Our Town:"

Charles Noel's long record as clerk of Council, fire chief and district committeeman seems to me to be a pretty good indication that he has been giving his fellow-citizens and fellow-Republicans good and acceptable service, and it seems to me that the best way the people can show their appreciation is by voting for him now that there is an attempt to throw him out of his committee place.

Mr. J. J. Cabrey says that Mr. Noel and Mrs. Reevs and Mrs. Cockrill ought to be turned out of the committee places because of their attitude in the Boyd-Just-Young campaign last fall. I don't see anything wrong in the conduct of the committee. They had been elected by the Republicans of Narberth a year before that campaign took place. They represented the organized party at the time they were elected. Why should they change their position of loyalty to the organization? It was all right for individual Republicans to line up and work for the independents then, if they wanted to, but not for the regular Republican committee.

Can it be that with Walzer breaking away from Stites, "J. J." wants to take the place of Stites? If so, consider this record of Cabrey's: In 1928, a Democrat; in 1930, a Democrat; in 1931, a Boyd-Just Republican, and in 1932, the leader of a Republican group. This is O. K. for an individual, but hardly fitting for one who seems to aspire to the Republican leadership of Narberth.

ROBERT J. EDGAR.

Walzer's Rebuttal

To the Editor of "Our Town:"

Having already delivered in a man to man fashion a personal message to Mr. Wood relative to the discrepancies and the untruthfulness, as regard me, which appeared in his article in last week's issue of "Our Town," I desire now to set straight my friends and neighbors on any disillusions which they might have taken from this article.

Mr. Wood stresses harmony as the keynote of his article and in describing the meeting and proposal which was made as regards the committeemen, and which was not successful, he very carefully, for reasons best known to himself, left out the pertinent fact that one of the major suggestions of the compromises was that those who had been active on either side of the controversy withdraw and both factions recognize Mr. Wood as leader. Of course, nothing came out of that meeting.

As regards the committeemen, while Mr. Wood convicts them on lack of competency when he said, "There was not a committeeman or woman in Narberth who, after the Independent victory here last year, that had one ounce of practical influence at Norristown," nevertheless the statement might have been used to cover up the fact that somebody was consulted as regards the removal of Mr. Griswold as assessor, for it is hard to believe that such a change was made unless someone in the Borough was consulted, and another suggestion received at Norristown from Narberth as to Mr. Griswold's successor.

The character and calibre of the men and women selected to give life blood to Narberth's representation in County Committee affairs is sufficient proof that they cannot and will not be a "Cat's Paw" for me or anyone else, but will discharge with fidelity the duties delegated to them.

The recognition that the Pony Horsemen has given Mr. Wood's advertising ability is well placed, when they enlist his publicity support. However, whether or not they gave him the full facts of the case, he owed it to himself and to me, to make a reasonable effort to ascertain the truth before he broadcasted publicly the unneighborly expression that I had sunk to such a "degraded condition" that I was obliged to take my hat in hand and appeal for the crumbs from Mr. Johnsons' table.

This is a wilful misstatement, and I hope the gentleman who knows the circumstances better than anyone else, will refute this claim, but let it suffice for me to say, that Mr. Wood or any of those for whom he writes cannot prove any part of this assertion. A political job to me has never been my price for harmony, and while I know the depression has played mean tricks on men and things, nevertheless, Mr. Wood was in position to learn the truth of the matter, even though he was ill-advised.

While I appreciate the nice things Mr. Wood did say about me, I want the Borough, and particularly the many friends that supported me at the last primary, to know that I am not the "Dog in the Manger,' they portray me, to be but a victim of a diabolical distortion of facts for reasons best known to those who are disseminating them.

Let's all see to it that the committeemen and women we do elect will have many pounds of weight and prestige at Norristown so Narberth will receive that recognition which is calculated to please the whole — not a few.

FRED WALZER.

P. J. Lawler Funeral Held at St. Matthias' Tuesday

Funeral services were held at the Church of St. Matthias, Bala, Tuesday morning for Patrick Joseph Lawler, who died at his home, "Killegarry," 39 Union avenue, Bala, last Friday.

He was eulogized by the Rev. Thomas J. Hanney, rector of the church, who celebrated solemn requiem mass. The Rev. Francis A. Brady acted as deacon and the Rev. Anthony Dunn was sub-deacon. At the conclusion of the mass, Dennis J., Cardinal Daugherty gave absolution of the body. Bishop Gerald P. O'Hara also attended, as did hosts of friends and business associates. Burial was in Westminster Cemetery.

Ill for eight weeks, Mr. Lawler, who was 54 years old, April 8, had continued to attend to his business affairs. During the last week, he had left his home for a few hours each day. He returned shortly before noon Friday, after inspecting a building operation, and lay down to rest. He was found dead about an hour later.

Born 1878 in County Cavan, Ireland, he was educated in the public schools there, and in 1898 at the age of 20 he came to Chicago, where he worked as bellboy at the old Stevens Hotel. Two years later he came to Philadelphia and went to work for T. F. Reilly, contractor and builder, and was with him until 1908. He then set out for himself as a contarctor, doing extensive paving and other work in Montgomery and Delaware counties, most of which is evident today. The Union avenue bridge over the railroad tracks in Bala was built by him.

Successful from the start, in 1912 he began building residences, acting as his own selling agent. The success of Bywood, which he developed, was phenomenal. He built the Stonehurst Apartments, and the 69th Street Theatre, which at the time was called "Lawler's Folly," because it was in the middle of a cornfield. He was one of the founders of the Suburban Title and Trust Company, of Upper Darby, from whose directorate he resigned about three years ago.

In Bala-Cynwyd he built many homes of a character which determined the community's present appearance; also the Egyptian Theatre, which was patterned after Grauman's on the West Coast, considered the finest in America; also Cynwyd Estates. He was a director of the Balcyn Building and Loan Association and the Bala-Cynwyd Building Association, in addition to the Continental-Equitable Title and Trust Company and the Beneficial Saving Fund Society.

Insistent on having the finest of everything in which he was interested, he became renowned as an exhibitor of prize-winning show horses, throughout the United States and Canada. They may still be seen in their stable on State road south of Cynwyd Estates.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary A. Lawler; four daughters, Rose A. Lawler, Margaret Lawler, Eileen Lawler and Mrs. Joseph Conway; and two sons, John L. Lawler and Patrick J. Lawler, Jr.

L. M. School Tax Same

A tax rate of 12 mills and $1 per capita, the same as this year, was adopted by the Lower Merion School Board Wednesday night. No reduction was made in teachers' salaries, although economies in other estimated expenditures were made.

Oz's Wizard Coming

Dorothy, the scarecrow, the tin woodman and other interesting and fantastic people encountered in L. Frank Baum's childhood classic, "The Wizard of Oz," are in a motion picture of that name that will be shown at the Egyptian Theatre, Bala-Cynwyd, 2.15 P. M. Saturday of next week.

School Board Votes to Retain Eighth Grade Here

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the step would be necessary, the principal, W. James Drennen, insisted that his salary be subject to the cut along with the teachers, despite an understanding with the Board at the time he was given the principalship that slight increases would be given him during his first three years.

A reduction in the compensation of the tax collector was also made. It was fixed at one and eight-tenths per cent. instead of two per cent. of taxes collected.

Substantial reductions were made in practically every item in the budget except those fixed by law or by standing requirements. The statement issued by the Board said, "The Board is gratified to be able to effect a considerable net reduction, in spite of the fact that the tuition bill for the coming year will be several thousand dollars in excess of that for the current year."

In the budget, which follows, items reduced are marked with an asterisk *. Increases are indicated by two asterisks **.

*Salary of Secretary	$300.00
*Salary of Treasurer	250.00
*Tax Collector	1,800.00
Audtors' Fees	105.00
*Census Enumerator	50.00
*Control (Office Secretary), postage, petty cash, etc.	1,299.00
*Principal's Salary	3,150.00
Principal's Expenses	
*Teachers' Salaries	35,555.00
Teachers' Retirement Fund	1,192.44
*Textbooks	500.00
*School Supplies	1,200.00
**Tuition	43,200.00
Other Expenses of Inst.	20.00
*Libraries	300.00
Health	50.00
*Transportation	3,760.00
Institute	420.00
*Janitors' Wages	2,970.00
*Fuel	900.00
*Water, Light and Power	1,150.00
Janitors' Supplies	300.00
*Other Operating Expense	150.00
**Repairs to Buildings	800.00
*Plant Repairs and Replacements	50.00
**Insurance (including depository bonds)	316.00
Taxes on Bonds	334.00
Sinking Funds	4,561.00
**Interest (including that on temporary loans)	4,020.00
*New Furniture and Equipment	200.00
*Playgrounds	600.00
Legal Service	50.00
Principal's Salary for summer school supervision	250.00
	$109,802.44
INCOME	
Taxes on Property	$93,759.40
Per Capita Tax	6,505.00
	$100,265.40
Less Anticipated Exonerations	1,500.00
Net Tax Receipts	$98,765.40
Net Tax Receipts	$98,765.40
State Appropriations	10,512.13
Miscellaneous Income (tax penalities, interest, tuitions, etc.)	1,500.00
Total Net Income	$110,777.53
Total Expenditures	109,802.44
Net Balance	$975.09

"Sous le Toits de Paris" To be Two-Fold Innovation

Innovation in publicity as well as in program policy is "Sous les Toits de Paris" (Under the Roofs of Paris), all-French talking cinema, which will be presented for the first time in any community theatre in America at the Egyptian, Bala-Cynwyd, afternoons and evenings of Wednesday and Thursday, April 27 and 28.

The newspaper advertising is entirely in French, for the first time for any photoplay on the Main Line. The film was screened by Rene Clair, whose cleverness in making it and "Le Million" has won commendation and large audiences wherever the pictures have appeared. Dialogue was reduced to a minimum of 40 per cent., and the pantomime formula was retained, with which the best silent films were produced. Albert Prejean, leading character in the comedy-drama, is an actor whose personality and appearance is not unlike Maurice Chevalier.

See the movie version of *L. Frank Baum's* popular fantasy for children of all ages:

"WIZARD of OZ"

Next Saturday, April 23 2.15 P. M. Matinee, at the

EGYPTIAN

Penn Valley Garden Club to Meet This Afternoon

The next meeting of the Penn Valley Garden Club will be held in the gardens of the Montgomery Day School this Friday.

Mrs. Walter D. Fuller entertained the members of the club at her residence on Righter's Mill road, near Conshohocken State road, in Penn Valley, on April 1.

Mrs. John A. LaFore, president of the club, presided and 30 members attended. The first of a new series of talks was given by Miss Florence Bertermann on the proper care of gardens, which proved most interesting and quite in keeping with the plans now being made by Penn Valley residents at this time. It was also announced at the meeting that many of the famous formal gardens in Virginia were being opened to the general public during the week of April 25 to 30, inclusive.

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Jig Saw Puzzle?
—Drop in at
DAVIS'
224 Haverford Avenue
and find out how fascinating they are, and what our low rental is, for making your spare moments more enjoyable.

CHOOSE

from these week-end specials, and taste for yourself how good our choice meat really is:

Round of Beef (Pot Roast) .....lb., 25c
Freshly ground HAMBURG ....lb., 20c
Rib Roast of Beef
thick end.....lb., 20c
Pork Loin, whole or half .....lb., 20c
Pork Chops, center cut .....lb., 25c
Shoulder of Pork, lb., 14c
Fresh Hams .....lb., 16c
Our celebrated Breakfast Bacon; quality unsurpassed
whole piece, lb., 22c
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BABY SPRING LAMBS
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248 Haverford Ave.— —*Ezekiel Ralston*

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Because I'm Glad

to see a man of the type of Ezekiel Ralston carry on business in Narberth, I'm taking this means of welcoming him as the new tenant of my property at 248 Haverford Avenue. Here's hoping the Narberth Hardware Company gives good service to Narberth residents and their neighbors, and that it enjoys a long and successful business career here.

C. P. Cook

The Narberth Electric and Radio Company

(formerly the NARBERTH ELECTRIC SHOP) announces the opening of an Electrical and Radio Sales and Service Department at the NARBERTH HARDWARE STORE, 248 Haverford Avenue. Expert service at low cost. Don't bother lugging electrical appliances around to be repaired, when we will for no extra charge repair them in your home. Free radio inspection service.

WALTER G. CASE—Narberth 4182

BARGAINS IN TREES

75 acres of Trees, Shrubs and Hardy Flowers at my Berwyn Nursery that are offered at Bargain Prices. Any tree that may die will be replaced with trees of equal merit at one-half the original cost.

This is the Month to Plant

Roads, Tennis Courts, Swimming Pools and General Landscape Gardening, estimates cheerfully given

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Lower Merion Teams Start Spring Season Successfully

Lower Merion High School has started her spring varsity program with fine success. Edgar Whistler, new baseball coach, has two victories to his credit in the A league, one over the redoubtable nine from Upper Darby on home soil by the score of 4 to 2, and a victory Tuesday on enemy land, score 6 to 1, over Haverford.

In between these two victories was sandwiched the annual loss to Episcopal Academy, that school of sporting gentlemen at City Line. They smeared it all over the locals, but the result does not count in the league standings, and there is no loss of sleep over it. The team does like to defeat Episcopal, though, for they have fine teams and always play the game up to the hilt. Whistler tried out his pitching staff, sans Thomas, and found practically nothing.

Albert Adam's regional track championship team started off the spring cinder season with a nice win over St. Joseph's High, of Philadelphia, by a one-sided score on Wednesday afternoon at Pennypacker Field.

Results:

100-Yard Dash—H. Buck, Taylor, Furey. Time, 11 seconds.

220-Yard Dash—Jackson, Fleming, Furey. Time, 23¾ seconds.

440-Yard Dash—Frame, Flemming, Goldkatt. Time, 57 9-10 seconds.

880-Yard Run—L. Buck, Casey, Riley. Time, 2 minutes, 15 econds.

120-Yard High Hurdles—McDonald, Farr, McCahan. Time, 17 6-10 seconds.

Javelin—Johnson, Polilli, Murphy. Distance, 129 feet, 2 inches.

High Jump—Poorman, McDonald and Mathes, and Furey tied for second. Height, 5 feet, 6 inches.

Shot-Put—Taylor, Polilli, Furey. Distance, 42 feet, 9 inches.

Broad Jump—Johnson and Jackson tied for first; Pocavelli. Distance, 19 feet, 1 inch.

Pole Vaule—Leidy and Baker, tie for first; Ross and Lambert, tie for second. Height, 9 feet, 6 inches.

Mile Run—Graham, Lomax, Gallagher.

Furey, Flemming, Goldkatt, Casey, Riley, Farr, McCahan, Lambert, Lomax and Galagher ran for St. Joseph's.

Borough Expenditures Are Under Last Year

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$51,000, represent the cost of Narberth sewers, with the exception of bonds amounting to $3000 issued in 1897 by the Borough to acquire title to the old Goodman and Clothier private sewer. This issue was retired in 1927.

The report of the Committee on Highways and Sewers, for the month of March, follows, in part:

"It was disclosed during the past month that absences of men, due to accidents and illness, were seriously crippling the progress of our regular schedule of ash collections and other services. Under our present budget it had seemed to be impossible to hire substitutes as long as we continued the policy of continuing the full pay of the absentees. It was therefore decided by this committee to change the policy and reduce the off-time pay to one-half, and to authorize the Superintendent of Public Works immediately to hire substitutes in the case of any vacancies. This policy was put into immediate effect with good results. The schedule of work was promptly restored and the absentees soon reported back to work."

Prison Chaplain Speaks at Rotary Meeting Tuesday

"Our prisons don't reform anybody. Nearly 75 per cent. of the men leaving prison come back again." So declared Rev. Bernard Farley at the meeting Tuesday of the Bala-Cynwyd-Narberth Rotary Club. Father Farley is Catholic Chaplain of the Eastern Penitentiary.

The speaker gave a description of the Eastern Penitentiary in Philadelphia and of the new institution now under construction at Graters Ford. Of the 2914 prisoners now in the institution, about 1300 are at the new plant, and the remainder in Philadelphia. "The group at Graters Ford are mostly short-term men," he said. "At the new penitentiary work will be provided for all in the farms, etc., but I fear that it will appear too much like a country club. A prison in the country with baseball diamonds, good food and other attractions may lead criminals to come knocking at the gates, rather than to avoid sentence," he added.

The talk was enlivened with intimate word pictures of the various types of convicts, and the audience was given a keen analysis of the workings of the criminal mind. James P. Carroll introduced the speaker.

Benefit Card Party

A card party will be given by the Scout Mothers for the benefit of the Narberth Troop, No. 1, of the Boy Scouts of America, at eight o'clock this Saturday evening, in the Girl Scout House. There will be prizes and refreshments. Tickets are 50 cents and may be obtained by phoning Mrs. G. O. Schroder, Narberth 2647.

L. M. High School Notes

By BILL MACAN

Last week we made a poor choice. It seems that Mr. Pearce's Public Speaking Class, that was going to present "His First Dress Suit" in last Friday's assembly, developed inferiority complex or something. At least, the show never materialized. Nevertheless, this week, Miss Waller's English class will stage "The Man Upstairs" before the student body. The cast follows: The Man Upstairs, Hugh Speed; Husband, Ralph Talbot; his Wife, Pauline Keever; another Wife, Mary Michener; and a Main, Doris Latchum.

Kay Kennedy, the Sophomore member of the program committee, will conduct the assembly this Friday.

Right at this time, exactly one hundred and two members of the Senior class and ten faculty members are enjoying the sights of our Capitol City. Leaving from the Thirtieth Street Station early Thursday morning, they traveled direct to Washington in special cars. Then their itinerary is quite well known. Besides the regular sight-seeing trips about Washington, Arlington Cemetery, and Mount Vernon, the group visits the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and will take in the sights of Baltimore and its environs, including Fort McHenry, on Saturday.

Mr. George H. Gilbert, principal, and Paul R. Keever, Senior class advisor, except to join the group this afternoon (Friday), since they are driving to Washington after school is over.

Some people do have all the luck! Not only do those Seniors miss two full days of school, but also they have absolutely none to make up. Those unfortunate Seniors, and the Juniors and Sophs who have to stay at home, however, must go to school and fulfill the regular assignments for both days.

The debating season for this year is now past tense. Mr. Pearce's teams won six of the nine debates which were held. A victory over Norristown ended the season. Although last Friday evening the Norristown negative team defeated the L. M. affirmative, on Tuesday night the tables were turned, for the L. M. negative were victors over the Norristown affirmative. The season as a whole may certainly be considered successful. Lower Merion is at the present time tie was Abington for first place in the Suburban Debating League. However, it is necessary to see how Lansdowne finishes, in order to find out if it will be a triple tie, with Lansdowne, for first place, or whether L. M. and Abington will split second honors between them.

Miss Elizabeth Coneys Wed to Mr. Paul Holmes Last Friday at Church of St. Asaph

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Carlin Coneys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Coneys, of Snowden road, Bala, and Mr. Paul E. Holmes, son of Mrs. Frederic C. Holmes, of Radcliffe road, Cynwyd, took place on Friday evening at 6.30 in the Church of St. Asaph, Bala. The Reverend Richard T. Lyford, rector of the church, officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin, fashioned with a high waist line and long, tight-fitting sleeves. Her long train was suspended from the waistline. Her veil was of tulle and she carried a spray of calla lilies.

Miss Gloria L. Coneys, a sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Her frock was of pale green chiffon, with a long full skirt, and a cape of the material draped in cowl fashion along the low neckline in the back. The cape extended over the shoulders to the front of the bodice, where it was fashioned with a cluster of chiffon flowers of the same shade as her gown. Her Watteau hat of green was decorated on one side with a spray of yellow flowers. With this she wore yellow mitts and yellow shoes. She carried a bouquet of yellow daisies and roses.

Miss Ruth Hopkins, of Narberth, and Miss Eleanor Michaelson, of Philadelphia, two of the bridesmaids, wore models of a very pale shade of pink chiffon, fashioned on the same lines as that of the maid of honor. Their Watteau hats were of pink, decorated with blue flowers. Their mitts and shoes were also of blue and they carried bouquets of pink roses and delphinium.

The other two bridesmaids, Mrs. H. Francis Conly, of Chestnut Hill, and Miss Elizabeth Terry, of Narberth, wore models of blue chiffon, blue Watteau hats trimmed with blue and pink flowers, pink mits and pink shoes. They also carried pink roses and delphinium.

Mrs. Edward J. Thompson, of Bala, acted as best man, while the ushers included Mr. Harry Remington, of Wynnewood; Mr. Otto Steinbrecker, of Drexel Park; Mr. Clement S. Walter, Jr., of Bethlehem, and Mr. Edward Nevin Fry, of Cynwyd.

A reception at the Cywnyd Club followed the ceremony.

'Time Out'

By TOMMY MACKLIN

We noticed in the dailies a write-up of a no-hit game at Chester High on Tuesday. On closer perusal it turned out to be an intra-mural effort. Good work, just the same.

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"Veni, vidi, vici." Herb. Thomas, left-handed, captain, pitcher, took his mates to Haverford High Tuesday. Result, down went Haverford. Tune, 6 to 1.

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Port-sider Thomas limited the Red and Gold neighbors to 2 hits. Lefty's mates got nine off Star-pitcher Collins.

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Second Baseman Wynn, along with Victor Newborg, whaled the apple for two hits apiece. Wynn aided the defensive cause by a magnificent stop of Brunhouse's wallop late in the game.

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"Phog" Allen, Kansas coach, and Herr Walter E. Meanwell, coach of the Wisconsin basketballers, have just perpetrated a huge joke on the playing public in the game of basketball. The two of them, with the help of several "yes" men from the great open spaces of the Middle West, pushed the new ruling into the book which says the team holding the ball must pass it into offensive territory, or past the center of the floor, within ten seconds of obtaining possession. Allen is not so foggy, neither is the ancient has-been at Wisconsin. The Rules Committee is in the fog, has been, and is likely to remain in one. At the meeting of the committee upon arrival in New York on Friday there was a stormy session when the mention of the ruling was made. On Saturday, however, following a Friday night in the gay city, the cabarets had done their work. The committee met in excellent "spirits" and without much controversy the saps adopted the idea. God save the King. What is our game coming to?

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A similar rule was adopted last year and has not been given much attention around Philadelphia. The rule says that a player must get rid of the ball within five seconds after an opponent takes his position within three feet of him, if in the back court. Officials have paid little attention to it, and the coaches have forgotten it is in the book.

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Stalling is the result of a poor offensive and defensive system and some coaches disapprove of it simply because they do not know how to break it up. Both Allen and Meanwell play the zone defense. If a team gets a lead on them and holds the ball out, they do not know how to have their men cover in any other way, successfully. It is poor coaching and nothing else. Stalling properly and scientifically is one of the prettiest parts of the game, and at the same time one of the most dangerous. Pennsylvania has for years been one of the outstanding performers in that style of play. The final three minutes of a game is the prettiest, with Penn leading by a few points. The players hold the ball out and if a defensive man fails to cover properly for the merest fraction of a second the Red and Blue is off on the offense and quick goal usually results. They slipped up once the past season.

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We remember with pleasure the Princeton-Penn game the close of the season. Penn made the mistake of freezing the ball with a three-point lead with too many minutes of play remaining. The smart Princeton five took for it like ducks to water. They shadowed the Penn men over every inch of the floor. The lead was quickly wiped out and Princeton was ahead. Such is stalling in the East, where basketball is a game, not a parlor performance.

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Anyway, it's nice for the rules committee to have their trip to New York with expenses paid each year, and they simply must do something for their efforts.

After the ruling has been tried out for a season, some good may yet come out of Denmark.

BUSINESS BITS

Two Stores Reopen and Theatre Trade Picks Up

This week-end the Narberth 5c to $1 Store, 228 Haverford avenue, is being reopened for a bankruptcy sale. The stock was purchased at Norristown court on Monday by B. Cohen, of Philadelphia, who is affiliated with a large Philadelphia concern. He plans to continue operating the store if business warrants it.

Also open this week is the Narberth Hardware Company, in the old Narberth fire house, vacated by the Atlantic and Pacific Store, when it moved to larger quarters. The proprietor, Ezekiel Ralston, has been engaged in the hardware trade all his life. Sharing part of the store's space with him is Walter G. Case, who is trading under the name of the Narberth Radio and Electric Company. Mr. Case operated the Main Line's first radio shop, in Narberth.

"Business is good," says Maurice Fried, of the Narberth Theatre. "Standing room only" has been noticeable for several nights recently, rewarding the management for its careful selection of shows. The Narberth playhouse has won recognition recently in its children's performances, anticipating Philadelphia's Junior Cinema Guild with its "Robin Hodd" and "Alice in Wonderland." Also noteworthy was "Bables in Toyland," given last Saturday, and its revival of Barrie's "Peter Pan."

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A MESSAGE TO THE BUSINESS MEN OF NARBERTH

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"You shouldn't send a boy on a man's errand"

is an expression applied not only to playing a six of trump when the king is required, but also to employing feeble means of selling goods and services.

---All of which

is by way of leading up to this truth, witnessed by dozens of progressive business people in this community:—That no printed means of selling residents here is nearly so effective as advertising in the community paper that people pay to read, every week in the year. This community's paper has been the means of selling hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of commodities and services.

The buyers are

the fine class of residents who moved to the suburbs to enjoy just such advantages over city life as comparative freedom from circulars-on-doorsteps and peddlers-at-doors; and who enjoy taking part in the club, social and political life of a small community—all of whose news the local paper—and the local paper alone—records each week.

To Preserve a Community

its individuality must be maintained, in church, school, club, government—AND THE NEWS ORGAN THAT REFLECTS AND REPORTS THAT INDIVIDUALITY.

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fact, when properly introduced by his owner the dog included The Vagrant among his acceptable acquaintances, and to show his good will bounced over the wall, where by nipping at the hind legs of the now ridiculous bull, he drove him off behind a fold in the hill-side pasture. And so it befell that The Vagrant became acquainted with Ozro Purrington and heard a strange tale from him later in his hospitable farm home.

Inheritance

This is the tale that Ozro Purrington told after supper, seated on the veranda of his house, while the evening descended and the whip-poor-wills whistled their strange calls from the safe seclusion of the wooded hillside. He had been born in New York City and until a few years previously had spent his entire life there, except for annual vacation excursions and one brief and delightful trip to Europe. He was unmarried and had accumuated a small competence. One otherwise ordinary day brought a revolutionary change in his life, which was ushered in by the receipt of a letter from the governing board of a hill-town informing him that he was owner by inheritance of a long-since abandoned farm, and that it was necessary for him to indicate whether he would pay the accumulated taxes on it or let it revert to the town. He had known, of course, that his father had been born there; in fact, he had once visited the place himself at a time when it was inhabited and owned by a distant cousin.

Buried Treasure

That letter aroused a sentimental regard for those ancestors who had cleared that land from the virgin forest and who had maintained themselves there in comfortable independence for several generations. It seemed to Ozro that it would be a betrayal of their life-long efforts to let that land itself "go on the town" like a pauper. The result was that he negotiated a compromise of the tax bill with the town fathers and went there to spend his vacation the following summer when, digging in an experiment to cultivate blueberries, he unearthed an old iron kettle, which was literally filled with gold, eagles and double-agles, all of pre-Civil War mintage. There was a great thrill in that, he said. The kettle had rusted almost to disintegration, but the gold pieces were bright and beautiful. They were more than his pockets would hold and it required two trips to the house before he had transported all of them there. Alone in the evening, by the light of a kerosene lamp, he stacked and counted them and learned that the trove amounted to $6500.

Counter-Claims

The next day he carried his gold to the bank at the County Seat and, thinking that some explanation was in order, he told the teller there how he had come into possession of such a horde. The banker was interested, even surprised, but not congratulatory. Time passed and many local residents, whom he happened to meet here and there, stopped to ask him about his find and to hear the story, which he always told without reservation. Then the bank at the County Seat notified him that he had overdrawn his account, which was amazing to him, for his checks had scarcely drawn on the gold deposit at all. The explanation was that the high sheriff, incited by various citizens, had notified the bank that the treasure trove was escheat to the state under the common law, and that, pending a decision of ownership, the bank could not honor his checks against it. He was as much troubled by the jealous animosity of the people, nearly all of whom were distant relatives, but who regarded him as a "city man," than by the possibility of losing the unexpected and quite welcome treasure.

Victory

The story had a happy ending, however, including an antidote for the poisoning sourness of the citizenry. It came in the form of a retired lawyer at the County Seat who, deeply engaged in puttering in his garden all that summer long, was not aware of the treasure trove and the public attitude toward it. When the case came to be heard on the sheriff's writ before the Superior Court, Ozro Purrington attended, because it seemed to be the conventional thing to do, but without any expectation of making a fight for the money which he already regarded as having passed from his ownership. But the elderly lawyer projected himself into the case as voluntary counsel for Ozro and speedily proved that since the town authorities, where the farm was located, had recognized Ozro's ownership by inheritance, and since the will of his grandfather, on file in the county probate office, had specifically but enigmatically stated that the farm was to pass to his children "including any valuables which may be derived from the soil at any future time," the gold was clearly Ozro's by right of direct inheritance, and could not in any sense be declared escheat to the state. The court accepted that interpretation, and, what with that and other things, Ozro became a permanent resident there. Childless as he was, he ultimately attracted much solicitous attention from relatives whom he said were "more remote than actual."

THE VAGRANT.

April 29 and 30 Last Days to Pay 1931 Tax Bills

April 29 and 30 will be the last days for payment of 1931 taxes, according to an announcement by Borough Tax Collector Edwin P. Dold, this week. He states that an act of the Assembly requires him to file a lien against each property on which the taxes have not been paid in full for the previous year on May 2, 1932, at Norristown.

The tax collector will be at the Narberth National Bank on Friday, April 29, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M., and from 7 to 9 P. M., and on Saturday, April 30, from 9 A. M. to noon to receive taxes.

Citizenship Meeting Thursday

The American Citizenship Committee of the Women's Community Club of Narberth, will hold a meeting in the Community House on Thursday, April 21, at 2.30 P. M. The speakers will be the Reverend Samuel MacAdams, pastor of the Narberth M. E. Church; Mrs. Robert Carson, Mrs. Lucretia Blankenburg, Mrs. Gustav Ketterer, Mrs. George H. Lorimer. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this meeting. Mrs. E. C. Town, chairman of the committee, is in charge of the program.

To Hear Major Arnold

The Dr. Benjamin Rush Chapter of N. S. D. A. R. will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday afternoon at 2.30 at the home of Mrs. Walter O'Sullivan, 85 Windsor avenue, Narberth. The speaker will be Major Herbert A. Arnold, who will talk on "Historic Spots in Our Vicinity."

Hancock Payne Injured

W. Hancock Payne, of Manor road, Wynnewood, was injured slightly in an automobile accident at Villanova last Friday. He was treated for cuts and bruises at Bryn Mawr Hospital. His car collided with the machine driven by Ezekiah Kirkpatrick, of Conshohocken. Both cars were badly damaged.

Active at Wesleyan

James H. Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bailey, of 228 Essex avenue, Narberth, has been elected secretary of the Wesleyan University Christnan Association. He will also take a leading role in the annual Freshman play. Bailey prepared at the Lower Merion High School.

King's Daughters Dine

Under the direction of their president, Mrs. William Fischer, the King's Daughters of St. Andrew's Chapel, West Manayunk, gave a dinner last Thursday evening at the Wellingford, Germantown. Among the invited guests who participated were Mrs. Frederick Derby, of Narberth, president of the King's Daughters of Pennsylvania and of the Holiday House and Home for the Aged; Mrs. William L. Maize, of Mayfair House, Germantown, treasurer of the Home for the Aged; and Mrs. Francis H. Baker, matron and treasurer of the Holiday House at Valley Forge, where poor mothers and their children from the congested city are given two weeks' vacation free during the summer months.

Society for Missions to Hold Annual Meeting in Cynwyd

The annual meeting of the Presbyterian Society for Missions of the Presbytery of Philadelphia North will be held in the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant, Bala-Cynwyd, on Thursday, April 21, at 10.30 A. M. and 2 P. M. The speaker for the day will be Miss Anna M. Scott, of the Board of National Missions, and Mrs. Hoh Yam Tong, of China. Those attending the all day sessions will take a box luncheon and coffee will be served by the hostess church.

Genealogists Listed

Wilfred Harvey Schoff, of 110 Montgomery avenue, Cynwyd, and Mrs. J. Edgar Hires, of 107 Linwood avenue, Ardmore, are included in the list of the active genealogical researchers of the United States in The Handbook of American Genealogy, recently issued by the American Institute of Genealogy of Chicago. A "Who's Who in Genealogy" sketch of their work is included in the volume.

To Present Play

The Dramatic Society of All Saints' Church, Wynnewood, will present "The Ghost in the House" on Saturday evening, April 23, at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium of the Montgomery School. Dancing will follow from 10 until 12. Tickets are 35 cents each and may be obtained at the door or from Mrs. John A. Lafore, telephone Merion 297.

Needlework Guild Wednesday

The Narberth Branch of the Needlework Guild will hold an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. Henry Rose, 211 Woodside avenue, on Wednesday.

Colts Lead Bowling League by Four Point Margin

The Colts gained three points in last Friday's matches in the Narberth Interchurch Bowling League and now hold a four-point lead over the second-place Lions.

The standing and scores follow:

	W.	L.	Pts.
Colts	21	12	29
Lions	21	12	25
Meteors	17	16	24
Battlers	20	13	24
Pep Boys	19	14	21
Pilots	18	15	20
Boosters	17	18	20
Camels	10	23	12

Meteors, 2; Camels, 2

METEORS

C. Young	150	185	168
Wetheral	143	118	148
Devanney	107	...	...
R. Young	161	201	163
G. Davis	177	152	210
Dr. Hartley	...	182	159
Totals	738	838	844

CAMELS

Butler	149	172	129
Rubican	137	127	140
J. Mawhinney	131	165	117
D. Mawhinney	153	207	164
Johnson	176	163	150
Totals	746	855	721

Colts, 3; Pilots, 1

COLTS

Brennan	133	178	194
Meehan	149	164	172
DeMott	155	202	168
Conley	181	208	164
Lacey	173	181	172
Totals	791	933	870

PILOTS

Jenkins	133	151	126
Brown	141	176	164
Folletto	169	168	135
Eidson	145	...	...
Haws	117	143	170
Goodrich	...	181	140
Handicap	93	79	79
Totals	798	898	814

Boosters, 3; Pep Boys, 1

BOOSTERS

Riley	194	150	138
Goodrich	177	...	...
Davis	150	198	157
Ward	165	170	178
Babb	183	150	172
Eidson	...	99	168
Totals	869	767	813

PEP BOYS

Blessing	169	130	115
Cummer	121	187	169
F. Hamer	141	177	112
Sheller	131	180	156
Yowell	185	159	200
Totals	800	873	792

Battlers, 3; Lions, 1

BATTLERS

McCarter	181	131	194
Keim	139	137	210
Speakman	142	167	146
W. Smedley	159	174	191
H. Smedley	195	166	172
Handicap	23	23	23
Totals	839	798	936

LIONS

Humphries	148	154	193
Haist	130	191	144
Hopkins	162	124	167
Murray	160	158	163
Albert	161	190	195
Totals	761	817	862

Mrs. Mary Patterson

Funeral services were held last Saturday for Mrs. Mary Gordon Otey Patterson, who died at her home, 253 Forest road, Merion, last Wednesday. Services were at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Overbrook, with burial in St. Denis's Cemetery, Ardmore.

Mrs. Patterson, who was 75, was the wife of Robert Mackell Patterson, retired president of the Pennsylvania Railroad. She is survived, in addition to her husband, by three sons, the Rev. James O. Patterson, professor of science at the Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, Overbrook; the Rev. Lawrence K. Patterson, S.J., professor of history at Fordham University, and Robert Maskell Patterson, Jr., of Philadelphia; a daughter, Mary P. Patterson, a nun at the college of the Sacred Heart, Merchantville, N. J.

Mrs. Patterson was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Miss Fowler to Speak

Miss Bertha Fowler, superintendent of the Deaconess Home, Sixth and Vine street, Philadelphia, will speak at the Home Missionary Society Thank Offering Service in the Narberth Methodist Episcopal Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Garden Plots Sought for Use by Unemployed

The welfare committee of the Lower Merion-Narberth Council of Republican Women, in conjunction with the Main Line Federation of Churches, and the civic committee of the Women's Community Club of Narberth are asking for the use of vacant lots or spots of land for the planting of vegetable gardens by the unemployed.

The products will be used for food next winter or during the summer. Seeds and plants will be furnished to those working the gardens, and experienced supervision will be supplied. A greater effort this year is being made in connection with this movement. All those who are willing to lend their plots of ground are requested to telephone Mrs. C. Arley Farmer, Narberth 3874-M.

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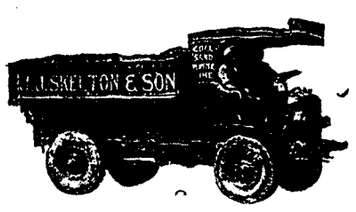

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THE FIRESIDE

Mrs. Samuel K. White, of Bowman avenue, Merion, is entertaining the members of her club at luncheon and bridge this Friday. The guests will be Mrs. Henry J. Moller, Mrs. Harold I. Short, Mrs. Joseph H. Shuff, Miss Ruth Shuff, Mrs. J. H. B. Roberts, Mrs. Ernest A. Hughes, Mrs. Bradford Troutman, Mrs. Rollin Toughill, Mrs. Walter Y. Shaw and Mrs. J. Raymond Peck, of Huntingdon Valley.

Miss Ruth Shuff, of Emmettsburg, Md., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Shuff, of S. Narberth avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stam, Jr., of Rockand avenue, and Mrs. Henry Ainsworth Smith, of Penn Wynne, are spending several days in News York this week.

Mrs. F. T. Van Auken and her daughter, Miss Anne Van Auken, of Chestnut avenue, accompanied by Miss Jane Lester, of Scarsdale, N. Y., will leave today for Penn State College, where they will spend the week-end and attend the Inter-Fraternity Ball.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cockrill, who have been spending several weeks in Buffalo, N. Y., recently returned to their home on Hampden avenue.

Mrs. Walton M. Wentz, of Wayne avenue, spent the week-end at Spring Grove, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Wentz had as their guest last Friday, Mr. John Kuns, of Williamsport, Pa.

Mrs. Edwin Corrigan, of Narberth Apartments, who has been visiting her mother in Hartford, Conn., for two weeks, returned on Thursday.

Miss Virginia Alexander, of E. Newfield Way, Cynwyd, was the hostess to the members of the Alpha Beta Delta Sorority on Tuesday evening.

Miss Kay McLaughlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. McLaughlin, of Wynnewood, who has been spending the Spring Vacation with her parents, returned on Sunday to Radcliffe College.

Mrs. A. C. Miller and her son, Mr. Robert Miller, of N. Narberth avenue, spent several days last week in Montclair, N. J., where they were the guests of Mrs. Miller's sister, Mrs. W. E. Gravatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller will entertain the members of their club at dinner and bridge this Saturday evening. There will be 12 guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Larson, of Oak Park, Ill., are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, Robert Cook Larson, on March 9. Mrs. Larson was the former Miss Audrey Cook, daughter of Mrs. Oakie Landis Cook, of Dudley avenue. Mrs. Cook is spending several months with her daughter, Mrs. Larson.

Mrs. Paul R. Loos, of Shirley road, entertained the members of her club at luncheon and bridge on Tuesday. There were 16 guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Harnden, of Moreno road, Penn Valley, accompanied by Mrs. H. J. Mosteller, of Haverford avenue, motored to New York last Friday and spent the week-end as the guests of Mrs. K. B. Parker, of Briarcliffe Manor.

Mr. Donald Wesley, of Shenandoah Valley, Va., spent the week-end as the guest of Mr. Allan Claghorn, who was spending the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Claghorn, of Chestnut avenue. Mr. Wesley and Mr. Claghorn returned to Ursinus College on Monday.

Mrs. Hugh B. Speed, of Chestnut avenue, is entertaining her foursome at luncheon and bridge on Tuesday. Her guests will be Mrs. M. A. Buck, of Wayne, and Mrs. Vera Lyon and Mrs. William C. Claghorn.

Mr. and Mrs. Speed had as their guest over last week-end Mr. Joseph Hunble, of Chicago.

Mrs. R. J. Dothard, of Wynnewood road, entertained the members of her contract bridge club on Monday. Among those present were Mrs. George Harper, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. F. W. B. Humes, Mrs. Robert G. Bennett, Mrs. E. B. DeVilbis, Mrs. Robert L. Russell, Mrs. Mary Niemeyer and Mrs. John M. Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Heinig, of Elmwood avenue, spent the week-end in Alliance, O.

Mrs. Thomas Manning, of Hampden avenue, will entertain the members of her club at luncheon and bridge on Monday.

Mrs. G. R. Richardson, her mother, Mrs. L. Leonard, and her son, Mr. Elwood Richardson, of Valley View road, Merion, spent several days last week in Atlantic City. Mr. Elwood Richardson returned to the University of Alabama on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Pletz and their daughter, Miss Elaine Pletz, of Dudley avenue, spent the week-end in Millersburg, Pa.

Mrs. Harry Gardiner, of Forrest avenue, has returned from the hospital and is recuperating from a recent illness.

Mrs. John Driver, of Wynnewood, entertained her foursome at luncheon and duplicate contract bridge on Wednesday. Her guests were Mrs. Garth Boericke, Mrs. R. G. Bennett and Mrs. Robert J. Dothard.

Miss Ida Buckman, of Shirley road, is entertaining the members of the Fortnightly Club at luncheon this Friday. At the meeting following the luncheon Mrs. John Gilroy will talk on "Translations of European Fiction."

Mrs. Walter S. Hunsicker and her small daughter, Nancy, of Sunbury, Pa., spent several days last week as the guests of Mrs. Hunsicker's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Kirkpatrick, of Essex avenue.

Mrs. Ralph D. MacGuffin, of Chestnut avenue, will entertain the members of her club at luncheon and bridge next Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Fenno, of Essex avenue, accompanied by Miss Marion Duryea, of Richmond Hill, N. Y., motored to Chevy Chase on Friday, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Frisbie over the week-end.

Mrs. Harry A. Parks, formerly of Rockavon road, Merion, is spending some time in Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Burns, of Woodside avenue, spent the week-end in Hershey, Pa.

Mrs. Philip Muller, of Ashland avenue, Penn Valley, entertained the ladies of the Fairview Sunday School at luncheon last Thursday. The guests were Mrs. Nathan Montgomery, Mrs. Jacob Greiner, Miss Cora Latch, Miss Anna Latch, Mrs. George Latch, Mrs. Sellers Hansell, Mrs. E. S. Duebler, Mrs. C. Walter Smith, Mrs. Lyle Smith, Mrs. Arthur Yunker and Mrs. George Floyd.

Miss Henrietta Deubler, who has been spending the spring vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Deubler, of State and Hageysford roads, Penn Valley, returned on Sunday to Cornell University. Miss Duebler has been elected president of Risley Hall, at Cornell, which is the highest honor awarded to a girl of the sophomore class.

Mrs. V. O. Krauskop, of Wynnedale avenue, is entertaining at luncheon next Tuesday.

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Animal Tales to Feature Library's "Story Hour" Monday

The Story Hour which Miss Church conducts every Monday afternoon at the Library, continues to attract between thirty-five and forty children each week, with occasionally an adult who comes to learn what is the charm that this period has for her child.

During the week of April 18, when all those interested in the care of animals are emphasizing the need of constructive kindness in dealing with them, the stories which Miss Church will narrate will center about this theme. Among them will be "Dicky Smiley's Birthday," by Kate Douglas Wiggen, a very entertaining story of a dog; "Dump the Pony," by Maude Lindsay; "Benjy in Beastland," adapted from Mrs. Ewing.

And not to be forgotten is the story of "The Brass Keys of Kenwick," by Augusta Seaman, which is being told in serial form. The story is now well along in its progress and the installment for next Monday is as interesting as any which has yet been related.

Sub-Juniors Meet Monday

The Sub-Junior Department of the Women's Community Club will hold a business meeting in the Girl Scout Wing of the Community Building on Monday evening at 7.30 P. M. Miss Emily Kerrigan has been appointed treasurer of the club, formerly held by Miss Winnie James, who has moved away.

Church Notes

The Presbyterian Church

Rev. John Van Ness, D.D., Minister

Meetings for April 17:

9.45 A. M.—Bible School.

11.00 A. M.—Morning Worship. Sermon theme: "Where Art Thou?"

11.00 A. M.—Junior Church, conducted by Mrs. A. S. Digley and Mrs. H. A. Smith.

6.45 P. M.—Meetings of the three C. E. Societies.

7.45 P. M.—Evening Worship. The address will be delivered by Mr. Percy Crawford, the "Evangelist of the Air." Young people are especially invited.

Next Tuesday Evening—The Community Bible Class, taught by Miss Harrison.

Next Wednesday Evening — The Prayer Meeting. Dr. Van Ness will speak on the historicity of Gen. 14.

Next Thursday at 2.30 P. M.—The monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Frank Dippel, of the Brotherhood Mission of Philadelphia.

Notwithstanding the rain, the attendance on last Sunday morning was one of the largest in the history of the church at a Communion Service. It was very gratifying to welcome twenty new members into the fellowship of the church.

Baptist Church of the Evangel

Robert E. Keighton, Minister

Sunday, April 17:

9.45 A. M.—The Church School.

11.00 A. M. — Morning Worship. Sermon: "Bibliolaters." A sermon on the period of the Reformation.

7.45 P. M.—Evening Worship. Sermon: "A Spoiled Child." Continuing the series of "Genesis for the Modern Man."

Tuesday, April 19:

8.00 P. M.—Annual Meeting of the Church School Association. The officers and teachers invite all who are interested in the Church School to attend this meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Taitt, 230 Avon road. A social time follows the regular meeting.

Wednesday, April 20:

8.00 P. M.—The Prayer Service. Topic: "Self-Denial."

Methodist Episcopal Church

Rev. Samuel MacAdams, Minister

Sunday, April 17:

9.45 A. M.—Sunday School.

11.00 A. M.—Morning Worship. Pastor's five-minute talk to Juniors, "The Creator. Address by Miss Bertha Fowler, superintendent of our Deaconess Home. W. H. M. S. Thank offering Sunday.

6.45 P. M.—Epworth League.

7.45 P. M.—Evening Worship and Sermon: "Where Are Our Dead?"

Tuesday, April 19:

8.00 P. M.—Meeting of the Main Line Epworth League Societies. Address by Mr. Schuyler English. The public is invited.

Wednesday, April 20:

8.00 P. M.—Prayer Meeting.

Thursday, April 21

2.00 P. M.—Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Church Parlor.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Rev. Cletus A. Senft, Pastor

Sunday, April 17, 1932:

9.30 A. M.—Bible School.

11.00 A. M.—The Morning Service. Theme: "True Discipleship."

7.45 P. M.—The Evening Service. A special musical service by the choir assisted by Miss Margaret N. Eicherly, soprano.

Wednesday, 7.00 P. M. — Junior Choir reharsal.

Thursday, 7.00 P. M.—The Pastor's Special Confirmation Class.

Friday, 7.30 P. M.—Choir rehearsal at the home of Miss Squier, 305 Grayling avenue.

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sewer tax we have no exact survey other than the number of connections, which is 1367. We note that the average sewer tax *bill* for 1931, as shown in the Township annual report for 1930 is approximately $16.00 each. Allowing for more than one connection on some bills, we feel that we are conservative in estimating the Narberth average at $9.00 per connection. This latter figure would just about cover a residence with one bath, extra toilet, kitchen and laundry connections, which is just about the minimum average, hence that prospective revenue from this source might be over rather than under our estimate.

"This schedule also attempts to project the additional appropriations which might be expected to cover the operating and administration expenses of the various Township Committees upon inclusion of the Narberth area. The Highway and Ash Collecting appropriation in the 1932 Borough budget has obviously been 'shorted,' partly to help the current finances and partly for the reason that the program over recent years has put the streets in excellent general repair so that they will not suffer unusual deterioration this year. The amount allowed in our estimate, we believe is sufficient to manitain our ten miles, more or less, of public streets in satisfactory condition. The remaining items are, we believe, self-explanatory upon comparison with your present and past appropriations for similar items in other areas, and the total leaves about $3300 for contingencies or surplus, — all assuming that the Borough taxpayers would be subject to a special sinking fund levy for the equalization of respective indebtednesses as provided by law.

"In summary, it appears that the savings through elimination of duplicate functions are sufficient to afford the Borough taxpayers some saving in the total tax rate and provide the Township Commissioners with adequate revenue for all operating expenses with probability of some surplus.

"When we make a similar comparison of revenue and expenses of our area which would revert to the Lower Merion School District under the proposed dissolution, we cannot present quite as favorable showing as we do in the above instance. However, the disparity is not so great as to be prohibitive to a district having a tax base as broad as that of Lower Merion School District. Furthermore, from what we can learn, their plans for the future are such that could best be worked out for all of the area within the Township borders, without having to carefully work around the edges of our Borough, which has been carved from the midst thereof.

"The entire public school system of this country is founded upon the promise that education of our children is of paramount public interest, Were this not so, it would be the responsibility of each family head to educate his offspring as best he could and at his own expense, without the outlay of any public funds. Fortunately the American viewpoint is much broader than that,—hence our system of school districts and State aid, by which the cost of education is spread over just as wide a base as possible. It is upon these promises that we hope the Directors of Lower Merion School District will take a broad viewpoint upon any disparity of revenue and expenses which may remain, after giving full effect to savings in actual expenses, through combining the areas,—and that upon such viewpoint they may refrain from filing any official objection or protest against the proposed petition for dissolution.

"There is a growing and nation-wide sentiment against the *number* of hundreds and thousands of tax-levying bodies, overlapping in their scope. If we can make two such taxing units grow where four grew before, and thereby effect some net saving to the community as a whole, then this Committee will feel that its work has been worth while and that we will be in step with the spirit and with the need of the times.

"As we understand the matter,—no co-petition from the Township need be filed with a Borough petition for dissolution, but we feel that our standing in Court would be enhanced by any possible co-operation on your part, either through the absence of negative objection or otherwise."

Schedule "G"

Estimated Revenue and Expense of Narberth Area Assuming Reversion to Lower Merion Township

Prospective Revenue (Valuation One-Third Normal Market)		Borough Revenue	
Improved Lands	$4,612,000.00	Tax @ 18 Mills	$90,513.00
Unseated Lands	72,000.00	Allow for Disc., Exoneration, etc.	2,013.00
Occupations, etc. (3253)	344,500.00		
	$5,028,500.00		$87,500.00
Normal Tax @ 9 Mills	$45,256.50		
Sinking Fund @ 2.8 Mills	14,079.80	Tax Coll. Comm. @ 2%	1,750.00
Sewer Tax (1367 Houses @ (est. $9)	12,303.00		
Gross Revenue	$71,639.30		
Allow for Disc., Exonerations, etc.	1,639.30		
NET REVENUE	$70,000.00		$85,750.00

	Estimated Additions to Township Appropriations		Borough Budget 1932
HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:			
Maintenance 10 Miles of Streets	$12,000.00	Item 11	$11,601.50
Collection of Ashes and Rubbish	9,000.00		
HEALTH AND DRAINAGE COMMITTEE:			
Sewer Rental	400.00	Item 12	400.00
Garbage Collection	1,400.00	Item 13	1,400.00
POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE:			
Police Protection	10,800.00	Item 7	10,800.00
FIRE COMPANY	6,000.00	Item 5	8,100.00
FIRE HYDRANTS (45 @ $45 ea.)	2,025.00		
STREET LIGHTING	4,200.00	Item 8	4,200.00
SINKING FUND	14,121.50	Items 14, 23, 26	14,121.50
PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE	1,300.00	Items 27, 30	5,229.00
BOARD OF HEALTH:			
Milk Control	1,335.00	Item 6	2,450.00
Miscellaneous	600.00		
LEGAL EXPENSE	Negligible	Item 2	75.00
INTEREST AND LOAN	1,000.00	Item 29	1,500.00
PUBLIC LIBRARIES	2,000.00	Item 28	2,250.00
TOWNSHIP TREASURER	500.00	Items 3, 25	510.00
Sub-Total	$66,681.50		
Leaving for Contingencies and/or Surplus	3,318.50	Item 11	3,300.00
Corresponding to Total Revenue of	$70,000.00		

The Value of Community Weeklies

From an address by Philip A. Livingston before the Poor Richard Club of Philadelphia

The community newspaper industry compares favorably with the larger types of manufacturing, although its products, unlike Fords, do not come out of an assembly line like peas from a pod. Each of these 11,000 units has its own individuality, derived from the territory which it serves and from the personality of its editor.

The papers included in this list of 11,000 range from poor adjuncts to country printeries to weeklies which in size, appearance and content rank with great national magazines. They range from tiny sheets published in hamlets of a few hundred souls each to weeklies so strong that they dominate large cities and make the publication of metropolitan dailies unprofitable or impossible.

The community weekly wields a power in the shaping of public opinion which would astonish the city-born man. It boasts a circulation which represents a virtual blanketing of the non-metropolitan areas of our country. It stands as the greatest factor in the preservation of community and civic life in the smaller town, and as the binding force which brings unity and self-respect to hamlet and county seat, checking the drift to the often attractive, but badly over-populated cities.

The suburban publisher has a peculiar and indispensible field. A suburban paper is not a recorder of world news, because we know that our readers follow that type of news in the city dailies; it is not a forum of opinion on general topics, for we know that our readers are educated, intelligent, and therefore obtain such material from their magazines. It is, in brief, the intimate, accurate official organ of the life of a suburban town. It covers that field thoroughly and without waste, and so is read thoroughly. There is no other source for such news.

The community weekly aims to be constructive and friendly. It attempts to substitute for the sordidness which passes for news in too many metropolitan papers a clean and cheerful recording of the things closest to the daily life of a family. It regards the news of a trip to Chicago by the man across the street as of infinitely greater importance than the bombing of Shanghai or the latest juicy story of sex perversion. We do not hide our heads in the sand—the readers can get their fill of such stuff elsewhere.

In "Advertising and Selling" a little over a year ago, Don C. Seitz gave the community paper a generous pat on the back. Here is a paragraph from his article:

"The impressive point is that the country weeklies not only have refused to follow the dailies into the lower depths in search of circulation, to become a heterogeneous mass of standardized banality, but have instead immensely raised their quality with corresponding benefits to the communities in which they are published. Where the dailies have bartered away their originality and influence to press agents and syndicate writers, the weeklies continue to be home-made and well-flavored. Their baked beans are truly baked, not steamed in a retort and served out of a can."

The value of any paper as an advertising medium depends on the extent to which it is read and respected. The local store is the greatest beneficiary of the community paper, but its value to draw business to city stores and national advertisers from the richest territory in this whole area might be equally emphasized.

The advertising agent or business man, seated at his desk in Philadelphia, and submerged under a flood of successive editions of city dailies, is apt to look at the suburban weekly through the eyes of the city office rather than of the suburban home. Circulations are small compared with metropolitan papers. A couple of thousand each on the average. But each of those papers means a home, with from two to five readers, and it means several days during which the paper is preserved and referred to while the dailies are sent to the cellar.

With their impressive surveys and circulation breakdowns, the city papers attempt to engulf the community weekly, but if numbers told the story Liberty would have all the advertising and Town and Country, The New York and Fortune would be out of business. Some monthly magazines run into the millions of circulation, yet Fortune, with less than 50,000, leads all the rest in advertising.

Advertising must be directed to a reader, not to a "statistic." A copy of the afternoon daily comes to your office and you glance at it quickly for the latest developments in China. You buy a fresh copy on your way to the train for closing stock prices, and bury yourself on the financial or sporting pages, or perhaps the comic strips. When you get home your wife has had another delivered, and has digested the woman's page. That makes three for the circulation man, but all three put together do not represent one complete reading, for we must all sift our own interests from many pages which we can never get to.

The community weekly comes to the home through the mails at the end of the week. It is condensed, complete and usually well printed. It can be read through by each member of the family in a short time, and thus every part is seen in addition to the sport news, the personals, the school column, or whatever interests the particular member of the family.

But that is not all. A neighbor dropping in several days later will find the paper still on the library table, for it is not discarded with the dailies. Thus another reader is added. The paper stays in its place of honor until the next one comes in. Do you see how, even though a community weekly may not fill a store on the day of a bargain sale, it cannot be excelled as a means of impressing a business upon the minds of families whose average income is more than twice that of city folks? The suburban paper shares with the finer magazines the honor of bringing an advertising message to a potential customer under the most pleasant circumstances, and at the very time he or she has the time and the desire to read it.

Where ten thousand copies of a daily could only scratch the reading surface of a community of ten thousand people, a community weekly of two thousand copies can reach nearly every family, and, through its permanence, every reading member of that family at least once. Let an error creep into a personal item, or let an actor in some amateur theatrical be slighted, and the editor is well aware of the overwhelming power of his paper.

So long as there are yards about the homes and trees along the streets in the suburbs, and until the city politicians reduce our pleasant neighborhoods to wards, the suburban papers will perform a function which is indispensible and unduplicated. And so long as women go to clubs and men to ball games—so long as boys and girls are loyal to their schools and old folks want to read of the passing of their friends, the suburban weekly will grow and prosper, and the advertiser who uses an intelligent appeal in its columns will build a clientele of the type of customers he has always prayed for.

THE FIRESIDE

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Among the guests who attended the luncheon and card party on Tuesday afternoon, given by Mrs. W. Harrison Timberlake, of Price avenue, Narberth, at the Mayfair House in Germantown, in honor of Miss Mary Louise Lueders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Selfridge Lueders, of Merion, were Mrs. Edward Pennington, Mrs. William Torkington, Miss Louise Schoch, Miss Dorothy Vane, Miss Frances Remington Deal, Miss Florence Henderson Bell, Miss Leonora Mulkin, Miss Barbara Giddings, Miss Ella Donna Timberlake and Miss Marguerite H. Timberlake.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Clausen, of Meeting House lane, are entertaining at a buffet supper and bridge this Saturday evening. The guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Mancill, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warwick, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Meinken and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dennis.

Miss Jean Staples, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Staples, of Woodside avenue, who spent her Spring vacation with her parents, had as her guest, Miss Sally Humphrey, of Madison, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Willcox, of Essex avenue, entertained at a dinner and bridge on Saturday night. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Loney, of Wallingford; Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Redfield, of Haddonfield, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter O'Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Loney were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willcox over the week-end.

Mrs. Edwin C. Town, of Narberth avenue, and her cousin, Miss Phoebe Gutelius, who was her guest, won Plus Scores at the Rainbow Bridge at the Hannah Penn House last Thursday.

Swarthmore Players' Clubhouse is Completely Equipped Theatre

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members pay and by the money which comes in from the guest cards which those members purchase. Before they assumed the present burden of building and maintaining their own playhouse, their membership of about 800 took care of their finances very comfortably. During that period, membership was confined to bona fide residents of the Borough of Swarthmore. The Swarthmore Players now require more new members and are willing to accept them from properly endorsed people who live outside of Swarthmore.

Last week's play was the sixth in the present series of the Swarthmore Players. Originally titled "Nut Farm" by the author, the name was changed by the Swarthmore Players for their own presentation to "Gone Hollywood," which is really more appropriate. This play was produced under the direction of Robert W. Graham, assisted by Harry G. Foster, both members of the club. Mr. Graham is a graduate of Swarthmore College, who has been actively identified as an actor and director in that group for several years. Although this play is not so deep a medium as some of those which the Narberth Players have wisely selected, it did present problems of stage management and of real character portrayal, which required the capable talent that was adequately supplied by the Swarthmore group.

Viewing this play through Narberthian eyes, the writer was inclined to feel that the Narberth Group has made a very promising start, and while it could not be said that the Narberth Players have yet presented so finished a production as that which was provided by Mr. Graham's seasoned amateurs, yet it is clear to be seen that the local players are headed in the right direction and that in their choice of plays up-to-date, they have shown excellent judgment.

Hold Contract Tourneys

A duplicate contract bridge tournament is held every Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Elm Hall by the Ladies' Division of the Narberth Bridge Club for the members and their guests. Last Friday the winners of the top score were Mrs. William B Stoudt, of Woodside avenue, and Mrs. C. A. Hammer, North and South; Mrs. Frank X. Purcell and Mrs. Joseph Beiner, East and West.

The Narberth Bridge club meets on alternate Monday evenings for a duplicate contract bridge tournament.

Bridge-Tea Today

The Reading Section of the Women's Community Club of Narberth will have a bridge and tea this Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Community Building for the benefit of the Narberth Milk Fund. Tickets are 50 cents. For reservations please notify Mrs. Caryl E. Starr, chairman, or Mrs. P. A. Wales. Mrs. C. Arley Farmer and Mrs. Wales will be at the tea table. The next meeting of the reading section will be at 1.30, Tuesday, April 22, at the home of Mrs. Charles E. Walsh, 105 Grayling avenue.

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We purchased the entire stock of the NARBERTH 5c to $1.00 STORE from U. S. District Court and we must dispose of this stock at once at less than wholesale prices. Come early for the best Bargains. Sale begins Friday, April 15, 1932, at 9 A. M.

ALL 10c ARTICLES 4 FOR 25c
ALL 5c ARTICLES 3 FOR 10c

$1.00 Galvanized **GARBAGE CANS** **49c**

50c Aluminum **PERCOLATORS** **29c**

$1.00 16-Qt. Gray Agate **COVERED POTS** **79c**

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25c Metal **WASTE BASKETS** **15c**

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$1.00 Aluminum **TEA KETTLES** **69c**

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AND ALL OTHER DRUGS
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AS LOW AS 19c and up

$1 Ladies' Full Fashioned **HOSE**
All colors and styles
59c

$1.00 MEN'S SHIRTS **49c**

MEN'S SOCKS **4 pairs for 25c**

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES

INK, PASTE and GLUE 15c Size **4 for 25c**

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50c SCHOOL BAGS **29c**

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